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# THE INCREDIBLE HULK

BLOOD  
HUNT

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IN MEMORIAM

## DON PERLIN

1929 - 2024



Marvel pauses to remember longtime penciler, inker and former managing art director Don Perlin, who co-created Moon Knight and was a mainstay on series such as *Defenders*, *Ghost Rider* and *Werewolf by Night*. Born Aug. 27, 1929, in New York City, Perlin studied under Burne Hogarth and attended the Cartoonists and Illustrators School. He began professional work in the late 1940s and would work with Will Eisner on *The Spirit* comics before being drafted in 1953. Perlin wouldn't come back to comics full-time until the 1970s, when Marvel Editor in Chief Roy Thomas recruited him to draw *Werewolf by Night*. In that series, he co-created the vigilante hero Moon Knight with writer Doug Moench. He also co-created Tigra with Tony Isabella and was the longest-running penciler on the *Defenders* series. In the 1980s, he became Marvel's managing art director, working under John Romita Sr. and, among other things, helping oversee the up-and-coming artists in the Romita's Raiders program. He moved on in the 1990s to Acclaim and Valiant comics, where he co-created some of their most important characters. Perlin was well-liked in the comics field and respected for decades of great work. Our hearts go out to his family and all those who knew and loved him.





**MARVEL COMICS PRESENTS**

**BRUCE BANNER** is a man constantly at war with himself, for within him is the green, rage-fueled, Gamma-powered force of nature known as the **HULK**. Now the Hulk's rage is pointed at Bruce, hungry to take control of their shared body once and for all. Bruce lives a life on the run to protect the rest of the world from...

# THE INCREDIBLE HULK

## BLOOD HUNT

led by a primordial being called **ELDEST**, monsters all over the world are hunting the **HULK** to use him to awaken an entity known as the Mother of Horrors. One such monster trapped the soul of Hulk's traveling companion, teenage runaway **CHARLIE**, in a magical figurine! To restore Charlie to living flesh, Bruce is headed to the city of Las Vegas where he is told a power exists that can accomplish this feat. Unfortunately for him, during his journey an eternal night has fallen on the world, and monsters are hiding in the dark...

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**ARIZONA.  
FIFTY YEARS AGO.**



COLD  
TODAY.

'LL  
WARM UP  
QUICK.



GONNA BE  
SHOOTING THAT  
STREET SCENE ALL  
DAMN DAY, WITH ALL  
THE FANCY CRAP  
WADE WANTS  
TO DO.

HEH,  
YEAH.



WE'LL  
SEE IF FRAN'S  
HORSE FEELS LIKE  
COOPERATING  
TOD--

MIKE,  
LOOK  
OUT!











"...WITH 'MANY  
DEVILS.'"

**FIFTY YEARS LATER.**



















IS JUST  
APPLE JUICE  
THOUGH.

WE PASS  
IT OFF AS  
WHISKEY FOR THE  
CAMERAS.



I'M SORRY  
TO STARTLE  
YOU. MY NAME  
IS MIGUEL.

HAVE A  
SHOT OF  
APPLE JUICE  
WITH ME?



I'M...  
BRUCE.

WHAT IS  
THIS PLACE?  
WHAT HAPPENED  
HERE?

HERE?  
EVERYTHING'S  
HAPPENED HERE.

THAT TRAIN  
OUTSIDE HAS BEEN  
ROBBED PROBABLY  
FIFTY TIMES.



JOHN  
WAYNE PUNCHED  
A MAN THROUGH  
THAT RAILING UP  
THERE.

CLINT  
EASTWOOD BURNED  
THIS WHOLE SALOON  
DOWN, TWICE. THE  
SHOOT-OUT AT THE O.K.  
CORRAL HAPPENED ONE  
STREET OVER.



YOU'RE  
IN OLD  
TUCSON.

THE  
AMERICAN  
DREAM.



THIS WHOLE  
TOWN'S A...  
MOVIE SET?

ALL THE  
GREATEST WESTERNS  
EVER MADE WERE FILMED  
HERE, FOR THE LAST  
EIGHTY YEARS.

I WORKED  
HERE, 'TIL LAST  
WEEK.

WHAT  
HAPPENED? WHERE  
IS EVERYBODY?

LEFT. WENT  
HOME.


THE MOVIES  
SHUT DOWN  
WHEN THE SUN  
WENT DARK.\*

\*SEE BLOOD HUNT #1. --JORDAN

THEN... WHY  
ARE YOU STILL  
HERE, MIGUEL?

DRINK  
YOUR APPLE  
JUICE, AND  
I WILL TELL  
YOU.






"MY FAMILY AND I  
CAME OVER FROM  
MEXICO FIFTY  
YEARS AGO.


"MY PARENTS,  
MY SISTER, MY  
BROTHER AND ME.

"PAPA CARRIED THE PACK,  
AND MAMA CARRIED ME,  
ON HER BACK, IN HER  
ARMS, BACK AND FORTH.




"I REMEMBER  
PULLING ON A  
NECKLACE  
SHE WORE.

"BEFORE WE LEFT MEXICO, SHE  
HAD FOUND A LITTLE PLASTIC  
AMERICAN FLAG SOMEWHERE,  
JUST JUNK, BUT I LIKED IT.



"SHE WAS  
WEARING  
IT THE DAY  
WE CROSSED.

"BEFORE WE MADE THE TRIP, PAPA  
MADE SURE WE HAD ENOUGH  
WATER, FOOD, CLOTHES FOR HEAT  
AND FOR THE COLD.



"EVERYTHING WE'D  
NEED FOR OUR  
LONG WALK THROUGH  
THE DESERT.





"WE MUST BE CAREFUL,"  
HE WARNED US.

"THAT DESERT IS *FULL* OF THE  
BODIES OF THOSE WHO DID  
NOT RESPECT THE DANGERS."



"I WAS ONLY SMALL,  
BUT WHEN I SAW THE  
DESERT, I WAS SURPRISED.




"IF THE DESERT IS  
SO FULL OF BODIES,"  
I THOUGHT...




"...WHY CAN I  
NOT SEE THEM?"





"THEY WERE  
UNDER THE  
EARTH.

"BLOOD-DRINKING DEVILS  
THAT MAKE THEIR NESTS  
UNDER THE AMERICAN DESERT,  
WAITING FOR PEOPLE TO CROSS.



"THEY TAKE US...  
FEED ON US..."



"...AND THE  
NEST GROWS.



"MAMA  
SAVED ME.



"SHE HAD BEEN  
BITTEN MANY  
TIMES, BUT SHE  
PULLED ME AWAY  
FROM ONE THAT  
HAD BITTEN ME...



"...AND SOMEHOW,  
DRAGGED ME BACK  
UP TO THE SURFACE.




"THAT'S HOW  
I GOT AWAY...



"...WHILE ALL MY  
FAMILY DIED.









"I RAN ALL DAY AND  
NIGHT, THROUGH TO  
THE NEXT MORNING.

"A KIND OLD CARPENTER  
TOOK ME IN...A SET  
BUILDER FROM OLD TUCSON.




"MY WHOLE LIFE  
HAS BEEN IN OLD  
TUCSON NOW.

"I FOUND FAMILY HERE.  
I KNOW EVERY MAN,  
WOMAN AND CHILD, AND  
THEY KNOW ME.



"I LIKE THE MOVIES WE MAKE  
HERE. THEY'RE ABOUT AMERICA.

"STORIES ABOUT  
OPPORTUNITY...  
PROSPERITY...



"...POSSIBILITY.



"BUT I NEVER  
FORGOT MY  
OTHER FAMILY.

"I STILL HEAR THEIR  
VOICES, BEGGING ME  
TO COME BACK...  
SCREAMING FOR  
ME TO COME BACK.

"BELOW THE  
DESERT FLOOR,  
WHERE I LEFT  
THEM.

"BARELY FIFTY  
MILES AWAY,  
BUT I WAS  
TOO AFRAID.

"BUT I NEVER  
WENT FAR, EITHER.

"I LIVED MY LIFE HERE,  
IN MY MAKE-BELIEVE  
AMERICA...STARING OUT  
INTO THE DESERT...

"...PRAYING FOR  
THE COURAGE  
TO FIND THEM  
AGAIN."





THAT'S...A  
HELL OF A STORY,  
MIGUEL. I'M SO  
SORRY.

BUT EVEN  
IF THEY DO STILL  
SPEAK TO YOU...THEY'RE  
NOT YOUR FAMILY.  
NOT ANYMORE.

DON'T GO  
LOOKING FOR  
THEM. THEY WOULDN'T  
WANT YOU TO BE  
WHAT THEY  
ARE.

THEY'D  
WANT YOU  
TO--

I WANT  
YOU TO KNOW  
HOW SORRY  
I AM.

THEY...THEY  
ASKED ME TO.  
THEY'RE SO  
HUNGRY, ALL  
THE TIME.

A-ASKED  
YOU TO  
DO WHAT,  
MIGUEL?


MIGUEL?

WHAT  
HAVE YOU  
DONE?









«SUCH A  
SWEET BOY,  
MIGUELITO.»\*

«SO KIND,  
THE WAY YOU  
CARE FOR  
US.»

HULK.

HULK,  
PLEASE.

HELP  
ME.

\*TRANSLATED FROM SPANISH.













**POOM**

















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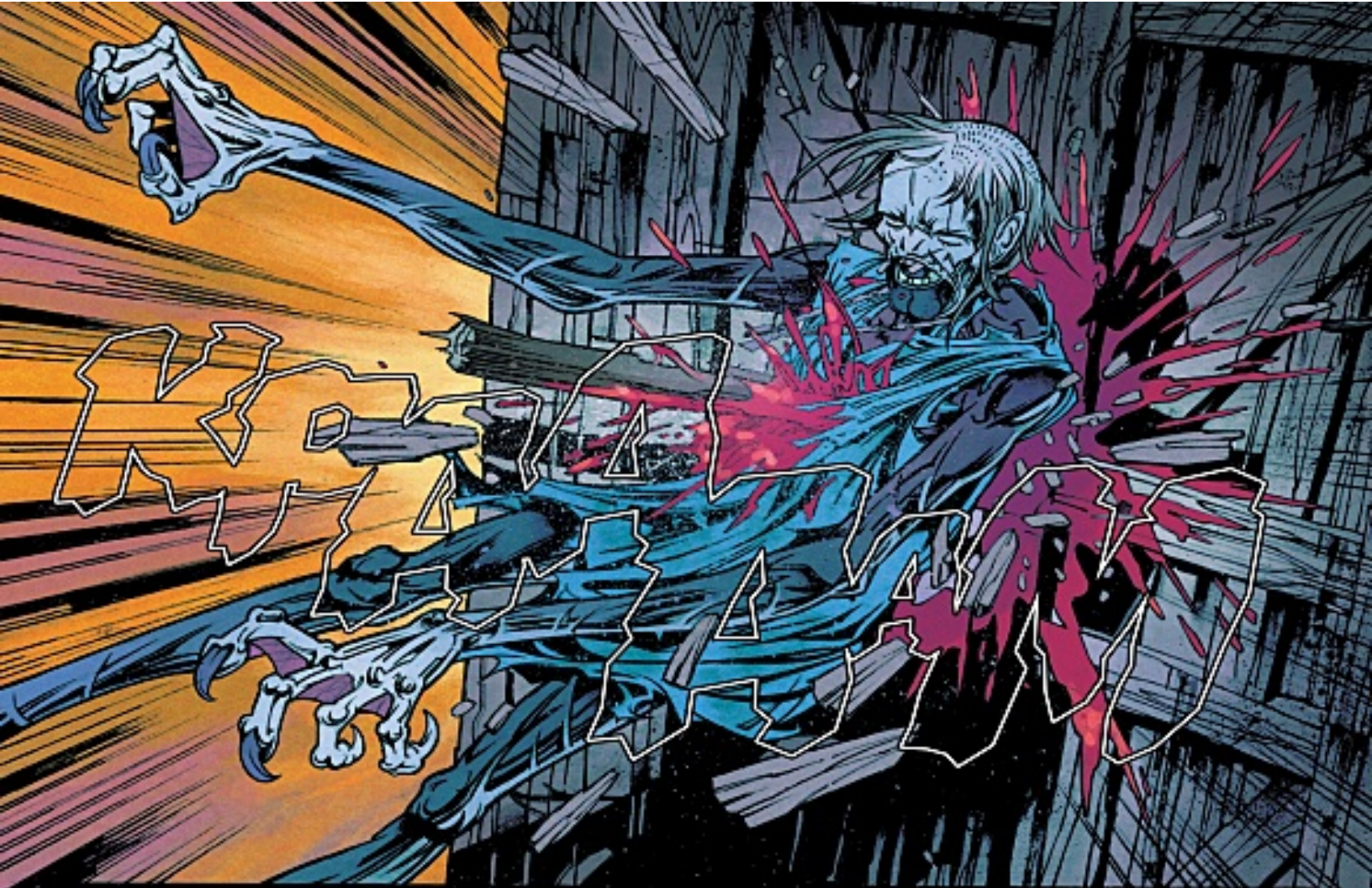












«OUR  
HOME...  
IT WASN'T  
SAFE.»

«MIGUELITO  
WAS SUCH A  
SWEET...KIND LITTLE  
BOY. AND WE  
BELIEVED...THE  
STORIES.»



«MY  
BABIES  
DESERVED...  
A BETTER  
LIFE.»













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- WEREWOLF BY NIGHT: BLOOD HUNT #1
- AVENGERS #16
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- WOLVERINE: BLOOD HUNT #3
- AMAZING SPIDER-MAN: BLOOD HUNT #3
- BLOOD HUNTERS #4
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